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## Pertinent Topics Discussed by H.C.

During the war a man could have become a profiteer on a large scale merely by betting that Ramsay MacDonald would some day, be Prime Minister. The odds would have been 100 to 1. He had taken a course that was regarded as unpatriotic as well as unpopular. We, for one, have not changed our opinion on that point, but there was a general revulsion of feeling after the war. The extent of it may be judged by the very fact that Mr. MacDonald did become Prime Minister, not once but twice. With peace, the war slogans went by the board. Contrary to the posters, the kiddies were not asking daddy what he did in the Great War, and the electors were not asking leaders or candidates what they did. Indeed a war record was in many places not a help but a hindrance to electoral favor.

But the electors changed, so too did Mr. MacDonald. Returned as a Labor-Socialist, he soon became as conservative as Stanley Baldwin with whom he joined to form a national government to save the gold standard. He was as successful in that as Wilson was in keeping the United States out of the war. Under his Premiership, nothing radical was done or even introduced and he was no doubt glad to be in a position to assure his leftist followers that he had to rely on Liberal support to gain a majority in the House of Commons. When he lined up with Conservatives, he brought only a remnant of his party into the combination. When he was defeated in his constituency and resigned he had the refusal of a peerage. Doubtless he regarded the refusal as a final sacrifice to principle.

He and Wilson, were not the only statesmen who went directly against the policies upon which they were given power. Peel repealed the corn laws he was elected to maintain. For that he was driven from office by Disraeli who did nothing to restore the corn laws. Gladstone switched on many major policies, the hand of the Lord guiding him all the while. Lloyd George gained a sweeping victory but did not bring the ex-Kaiser to trial, let alone hang him. Stressing the necessity for economy and retrenchment, Roosevelt gained power which he used to put into practice the very opposite programme. Canadian history is replete with examples of a similar sort. In opposition a party may inveigh against policies which in power it may not change. This is not to say that when in opposition that party was an "organized hypocrisy" as Disraeli called it. It only means that responsibility has a sobering effect upon experience.

## In The Days Of Auld Lang Syne

### TEN YEARS AGO

Friday December 2, 1927

P. B. Discher's store was burglarized and goods to the value of \$300 stolen.

Word was received in Vulcan of the death of Oscar F. Gustafson at Minneapolis on Nov. 27th.

H. P. Ranaghan sold his hardware stock and business to A. A. Graham of Ponoka.

Dog-poisoning in Vulcan were active and twelve dogs had died through eating poisoned meat.

Voting day for the municipal hospital scheme was set as Dec. 8th.

### FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Wednesday, November 29, 1922

Much publicity was given Vulcan through the delivery that month by Ralph Moorhouse of 1144 bushels of wheat at one time—using 20 horses and 10 mules, hitched to eight wagons. The grain was hauled from the Steiner Bros. farm at Buffalo Hills, a distance of 22 miles and delivered to the Alberta Pacific elevator managed by Frank Keiver. Unloading of the grain took one hour and seventeen minutes and over 1500 people saw the big team pass through the elevator. The overall length of wagons and team was 245 feet.

Mild weather was being experienced and all rivers and creeks were still open.

## MEMBERS CLARESHOLM MEN'S CLUB GUESTS OF LOCAL BOARD OF TRADE

On Wednesday evening, November 24th, the members of the Vulcan Board of Trade had for their guests twenty-four members of the Claresholm Men's Club.

After a few introductory remarks by the president of the Vulcan Board of Trade, R. M. Patriquin, the entire program was turned over to the Men's Club, under the very capable chairmanship of Mr. A. Lawrie.

The visitors were individually introduced to the Vulcan men by the chairman, who gave a brief sketch of the predominating characteristics of each one, and Mr. Lawrie's powers of discernment were irrefragably borne out by the various members who were called upon to assist with the program.

Rev. R. W. Dalglish, of Claresholm, was the principal speaker of the evening and gave a very interesting talk on the life story of a Mountain. It was regretted that the time was limited for his address which proved exceptionally interesting.

Solos, story-telling, and community singing balanced the program.

## Canada's Youngest Shortwave "Ham"

Jobby Saunders of Kirkcaldy Operates Own Shortwave Set; Norm Lockhart of Vulcan Now on "Phone"

When 13-year-old Booby Saunders, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Saunders, of Kirkcaldy, was granted a license to operate as a radio amateur recently, he became the youngest "bug" in Canada.

Bobby first became interested in short-wave three years ago. William Lawrie, now of High River, operated a set in Kirkcaldy then, and the fascinated boy spent many hours with the phones glued to his ears.

When Mr. Lawrie moved to High River, he made a set for Bobby. For some time the boy merely listened to other "bugs," but finally he applied for his license and now he is a full-fledged amateur.

His communications so far have been restricted to Alberta, but he intends to call before long, the many American operators he has listened to with envy in the past.

Bobby's call letters are VE4AKG, and he operates on the 80-metre amateur-short wave band. He uses a pair of 201A push pulls and operates with 180 volts, enough to enable him to cover the continent.

The set could not have come at a better time. A month ago Bobby's foot was badly injured when a shotgun exploded accidentally on a hunting trip. As he has been unable to take part in games with other boys, his radio has been a constant companion.—Calgary Herald.

Vulcan's own shortwave radio station VE4AEV, operated by Norman Lockhart, was recently licensed to operate as a "one" station and Norm can now send his voice out over the ether to other radio "hams" in various parts of the continent, as well as being able to communicate with them by code. He maintains regular schedules with Bill Butchart in Edmonton and Bill Lawrie at High River, both being well known in Vulcan and interested in the town's activities. Talking to amateur radio operators in other parts of the country proves to be very fascinating and many of the town's young people have enjoyed the experience of sending their voices over the air for the first time, as Norm's guests. Built in Calgary, the sending equipment of VE4AEV is incorporated with the receiving set in a large built-in cabinet which completely fills one corner of Norm's radio room. It presents rather an impressive sight to the uninitiated but it is the tiny microphone that can cause a usually glib-tongued visitor to stammer and become red in the face with the effort of thinking of something to say.

Bobby Saunders and Norman have something in common, in that they both became interested in short-wave radio through William Lawrie, formerly located at Kirkcaldy.

Dr. Campbell, candidate at Lethbridge is likely to draw a good following from railway men.

## VULCAN HAPPENINGS

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Middleton were recent Calgary visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Lebeau were Calgary visitors this week.

Alden Johnson was a visitor to Calgary the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Howes were recent Calgary visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Middleton recently spent a few days in Calgary.

Mrs. Stafford Cayley, of Voss, North Dakota, is visiting relatives in Vulcan and district.

Mr. Jack McFarland of Hammond, B.C., is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McIvor.

Miss Mabel Scott of Nanton is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Todd.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Lockhart have had as guests, B. Poole and A. Hunter of Brantford, Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Spaeth are spending last week, after spending a few days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. A. McKague of Reid Hill.

The Ladies' Aid of the United church wish to thank all who donated to their annual bazaar and the public for their patronage.

Little Miss Marjorie Sygne had the misfortune to fall and fracture her right arm on Sunday, while skating on a patch of ice at her home.

Cecil McKague returned to Vancouver last week, after spending a few days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. A. McKague of Reid Hill.

St. Aldhelm's Ladies' Guild will hold their annual Christmas bazaar and tea in the Anglican church hall on Saturday, December 4th, from 3 to 5 p.m.

The regular monthly meeting of the members of the Vulcan Board of Trade will be held in the Canadian Legion hall on December 16th, instead of on the fourth Thursday.

Mr. Joe Irwin of Grande Prairie, was a recent visitor in the district, north by Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Lucas. He was accompanied on his return north by Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Lucas.

Miss Gwen Almond has returned to her duties as nurse at the Vancouver General Hospital after spending the past few weeks with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Almond.

During the cold snap last week end, a large crowd enjoyed skating at the rink. Mild weather the past few days has not allowed much ice-making to be done but skating continues to attract a large number of enthusiasts every evening.

Honoring Marjorie Mensinger, who is leaving soon for Grande Prairie, the pupils of grades 5 and 6 held a farewell party on Friday afternoon. On behalf of Miss Bantlin and the class, Marjorie Sygne presented Marjorie with a ring, set with her birthstone.

A shower for Miss Jean Warden, November bride-elect was held at the home of Mrs. W. E. Myers recently. Decorating of the rooms in pink and white was done by Mrs. Roy Deal, adding much to the enjoyment of the occasion. About thirty guests were present and many useful and pretty gifts were presented to Miss Warden.

## Reducing Public Debt by \$746,317

Provincial Treasurer Reports Revenues Received and General Financing

Reduction of the total public debt of Alberta by \$746,317.27 was recorded in a six months' financial statement given by Hon. Solon Low, provincial treasurer.

This decrease is in unfunded debt. The funded debt was increased by \$136,450, borrowed on 3 per cent. treasury bills from the Dominion bor-

## UNITED CHURCH Y.P.S.

A well-attended meeting of the discussion group of the Y.P.S. was held in the church hall on Wednesday, Dec. 1st, with six members taking part in a debate: "Resolved that women should pour tea at home rather than at teas and bridge parties." Those taking part in the debate were Grant Clark, Alex. Woodward, Mildred Ulrich, Harry Martin, Catherine Armeay and Royce Clark. A very interesting talk by E. G. Hansell, M.P., on parliamentary procedure and the various activities of the House of Commons was well received. Lunch was served at the conclusion of the meeting.

## WELL KNOWN COUPLE UNITED IN MARRIAGE

Gardner - Warden

Two pioneer families of the Reid Hill district were united by marriage on Thursday, November 25th, when Margaret Jean, third daughter of Mrs. John C. Warden, became the bride of Gordon A. Gardner, second son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gardner of Sylvan Lake. The wedding took place at the Church of Christ, Vulcan, and officiating clergymen were Rev. F. G. Matthews of Calgary and Rev. E. G. Hansell of Vulcan.

To the strains of the Wedding March, played by her sister, Mrs. N. Budd, the bride entered the church on the arm of her uncle, Mr. Edward Griffin of Carmangay. She was beautifully gowned in cream satin with traditional veil and orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet of Ophelia roses. The bridesmaid, Miss Frances Warden, sister of the bride, was dressed in royal blue brocade taffeta and carried pink carnations.

Mrs. J. C. Warden, mother of the bride, wore a dress of navy blue crepe and cut velvet.

Rev. E. E. Backlund, of the Milo and Reid Hill Baptist churches, attended the groom as best man and the bride was given away by her uncle, Mr. Edward Griffin. Mr. Allen Christensen of Calgary, Mr. Naaman Budd of Vulcan and Mr. Frank Griffin of Carmangay acted as ushers.

During the signing of the register Mr. William Weale of Vulcan, sang "Dawning," by Eberhart.

Guests were present from Calgary, Vulcan, Reid Hill, Gull Lake and Sylvan Lake. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's mother, a large number of relatives and friends being present.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner will reside at Sylvan Lake.

## VULCAN HOSPITAL NOTES

Friends of Mr. Whitney will be pleased to learn that he is convalescing.

J. M. Wilson of Brant, who had the misfortune to turn his car over and receive painful injuries, is progressing very nicely.

Mrs. E. Kehr is convalescing from her recent illness.

Friends of Miss Agnes Irwin will be pleased to learn that she is doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Walker are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born November 24th.

Friends of Mrs. Jack Marshall will regret to learn that she is again confined to the hospital.

Mr. Cecil Smith, who recently underwent an operation, has recovered sufficiently to return home.

Friends of Mrs. Bittorf, Sr., will be sorry to learn that she is a patient in the hospital.

The condition of Jimmy Kuykendall remains much the same.

rowed from unemployment relief, etc. The decrease came from the unfunded portion of the debt bank loans amounted to \$5,700,000 on Sept. 30, 1937.

Prosperity certificates outstanding on Sept. 30 were 19,000. Certificates redeemed in the six months from March 31 to Sept. 30 were 12,511. Proceeds of prosperity certificate stamp sales held in trust were \$30,035.23.

A total of \$7,563,350 are invested in provincial savings certificates.

Provincial financing for the six (Continued on Page 4)

## Christmas Shopping Event Sponsored by Trade Board

Urging residents of Vulcan and district to do their Christmas shopping at home, the retail merchants section of the Board of Trade is sponsoring a three-weeks Christmas shopping carnival, announced by a large advertisement in this issue.

Many shoppers think it necessary to go to the cities to do their Christmas buying and one object of this shopping carnival is to impress on these shoppers the fact that practically all their needs can be supplied in Vulcan at competitive prices. Residents will do well to visit the local stores and see the many "extra value" buys offered on staple and Christmas goods. Special price cards will emphasize the low prices prevailing, and the friendly, helpful service of our home-town merchants will be of great aid in selecting your Christmas goods. Do your shopping early and patronize the stores displaying the special shopping carnival price cards.

## DISTRICT GLEANINGS

### BERRYWATER

Miss Ethel Campbell spent the week end at the home of her parents in Queenstown.

The joint meeting of the Berrywater U.F.A. and W.A. held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Noble last Wednesday was very well attended. After a short business session of each local, the members gathered together for a discussion on the People's League.

Mrs. L. Oldfield took the affirmative while Mt. Sims took the negative of the debate. Many good points were brought out on both sides, and a general discussion followed. A draw was made for the cockerel donated by Mrs. W. Oldfield to the local in aid of the fund. Mr. Russell Herman drew the lucky ticket. Mrs. R. Adams won a pair of curtain tie-backs donated to the local by Mrs. Knive.

On Wednesday evening last, the many friends of Mrs. Grace Mensinger gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Mensinger to bid farewell to Mrs. Mensinger and daughters. A pleasant evening was spent in playing cards and games, and a delicious lunch was served at midnight. The guests of honor were presented with gifts.

Mr. L. Douglass making the presentation in behalf of the grown-ups, to which Mrs. Mensinger replied in a very touching manner. Miss Marjorie Love presented gifts to the girls and both responded very fittingly. The party broke up by guests singing "For they are jolly good fellows," and wishing them much happiness in their new home.

A number of Berrywater children and Misses Vivian and Dorothy Hubbard and Lois Mensinger, under the direction of Miss Campbell, went to Queenstown last Friday evening to assist in a concert sponsored by the Queenstown rugby team. In spite of the severe weather the concert was well attended and proved a success to the sponsors.

Due to there being several dances nearby, the Berrywater pie social and dance has been officially postponed from December 3rd to December 10th, on which date a program will begin the evening's entertainment.

We are sorry that Fred Noble has been confined to his home owing to illness, and trust that he will soon be well again.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Adams and family are leaving this week to spend a couple of months with relatives and friends in California and surrounding States. Mrs. Adams' parents will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary near Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Douglass spent the week end at the Coy home near Blackie.

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## Church Notes

### ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Ladies' Guild bazaar will be held on Saturday, December 4th. Advent services will be at 3 p.m. in Lomon and 7.30 in Vulcan. Sunday school in both places at the usual hours.

## DISTRICT GLEANINGS

### KIRKCALDY

The Kirkcaldy Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Boose last Thursday with all members present. The meeting opened in the usual manner followed by current events and roll call which was "Hints on how to remove stains." Mrs. Hagerman then read a letter received from Mrs. Seever, each member agreeing to write to her individually and to bring their letters to the next meeting, when they would all be sent to her at once.

It was decided to make aprons before Christmas to raise money for the rest room. The Christmas pie will be held at the next meeting at the home of Miss Ware on December 16th.

Mrs. Williams then gave a very interesting paper on "Education and Better Schools" which was enjoyed by all, after which a discussion period followed.

A very dainty lunch was served by the hostess.

Mr. Lorne Maisey left on Thursday for Brant, where he will relieve at the Alberta Pool elevator.

Mrs. D. DeFreece has as her guest, her sister, Miss Lottie Parr of Erskine. Master Darrell Maisey entertained eight of his little friends on Friday afternoon at a party, on the occasion of his fifth birthday. Games were enjoyed, after which all sat down to the table with lots to eat. Those present were, Marion Middleton, Dolly and Billie Saunders, Margaret, Helen and Valeria Lang and Donald DeFreece.

Mrs. Steve Lang and daughter, Margaret, were visitors in Lethbridge on Monday.

### MAYVIEW

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Lourd had as their guests this week, Mr. and Mrs. Turner and Miss Winona Turner of Barons.

Owing to inclement weather, the card party which was to have been held at the school on November 25th, had to be postponed.

Mr. Leon Bateman left for Turner Valley last week, where he has accepted a position.

A meeting of the Junior U.F.A. was held at the Sinclair U.F.A. was held at the Sinclair home last week. Business being dispensed with, a paper on current events was given by Lee Richardson and roll call was answered with "News of the World's Workers." The hostess served a delicious lunch. The next meeting will be held at the home of J. Richardson on December 8th.

Mr. Roy Jacobson is visiting at the home of A. Jacobson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Lourd and Mr. and Mrs. A. Jacobson were Lethbridge visitors on Saturday.

Mr. Reg. Stein was a Calgary visitor over the week end.

The Mayview school concert is to be held on December 21st. Everyone welcome.

### ALSTON

The annual meeting of the Alston Community Hall Board was held on November 17th. Mrs. W. Isaacson was elected president for 1938.

Among those in the district who were Calgary visitors during the past week were: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hutton, Mr. Sandford, Otto Hagg, Mr. and Mrs. S. Beingsner and Oscar Hagg.

Friends of Mrs. Jim White will be pleased to learn that she is feeling much better and is able to be up and around again.

Leonard Isaacson of Lethbridge, visited at his home over the week end.

The new management of the Alston community hall are planning to hold a big dance in the hall on December 3rd. A good time is assured.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hagg motored to Lethbridge, recently.

A family re-union and party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. MacMaster on the eve of the departure of Mr. and Mrs. L. McIntyre for Vancouver.

A shower was held at the home of Mrs. D. Wylie in honor of Miss Louise Fluech, bride-elect.

A card party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Zahnd recently.

The winners were: Mrs. J. Jensen and Mrs. E. Laurence; consolation, Mrs. Otto Hagg and Mr. D. E. Lilly.

Vegreville S.C. constituency has called for the resignation of Lt. Gov. Bowen.



## ANOTHER REAL BARGAIN

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**THE VULCAN ADVOCATE**

VULCAN

### Indicted!

No matter the result of the prosecutions which may be taken under the

Criminal Code of Canada in connection with the printing and the distribution of hand bills urging the "extermination" of the so-called "bankers' toadies" in Alberta, the fact remains that, when the offending literature was distributed to the desks of Members of the Legislature recently, Social Credit members and refused point blank to investigate the source.

One wonders whether this is the kind of stuff the Social Credit Board is going to force the newspapers to print. No wonder the Government is seeking to set up and crawl under the cloak of "privilege" if this is what is intended. No wonder newspapermen of Alberta are declaring they would rather go to jail than publish such trash and face a criminal libel suit afterwards.

### WINDSOR'S PRODUCE PACKERS

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CHARLES CLARK

Owner-Publisher

Thursday, December 2, 1937.

### TIME TO TAKE STOCK

It is not always pleasant to view oneself through the eyes of others. An article in the latest Maclean's, written by the assistant editor, is an impartial survey of Alberta at the moment. It would be well for all of us to do a little self-searching, to discover what truth lies in these observations, and to what extent we, as individuals are contributing to this unhappy picture.

"Behind a facade of 'business as usual' is an emotional tension so foreign to the normal Canadian scene as to be scarcely credible to anyone who has not lived in the midst of it."

"Doctors have a name for the resulting nervous condition. There's no doubt," said one "that the strain has materially shortened the lives of considerable numbers. It is a definite neurosis." I myself met individuals with obvious symptoms.

"The language used on both sides is wildly intemperate. Threats of physical violence are not uncommon.

"In the legislature men speak deliberately, bitterly, of sedition, treason, cowardice, dictatorship, legalized robbery. That's untrue," shouts a Minister of the crown. "You are lying" retorts an Opposition member.

"Some members of the House are afraid to be seen talking to a stranger. Even the Premier scarcely knows whom to trust, and with reason. There is no mistaking his feeling about journalists.

"There is also fear of the informer. An ex-Minister of the Crown, is being interviewed in a hotel room. Suddenly he bounces to his feet, and closes the transom over the door—"You'll have to excuse me," he explains, "but this place is a hotbed of spies."

"A friend had occasion to interview one of the highest educational dignitaries in the province. Business concluded the talk turned to politics. 'Yes,' said the educationist, 'it's silly, excuse me'—and he too got up and closed his door."

"The causes of such fear may be real or imaginary, but the tragic fact is that the fear exists. And therein lies what is perhaps the most disquieting element. Men driven by fear are not easily swayed by reason, and it will take more than a little reasonableness on both sides of this conflict to solve the fantastic dilemma in which Alberta's democracy now finds itself."

Viewed in cold print this sounds more like some far-off, haunted land than our own sunny Alberta. But the writer has striven for a fair and impartial picture. What have we done to ourselves to bring this about? We are, after all, the same people who were here five, ten, twenty years ago, neighboring, laughing and living together in harmony and mutual enjoyment. What can we do to change this impression which we make on outside observers? What can we do to recapture some of the serenity and good cheer of our own lost horizons?

### WHEN PIONEERS TAKE ISSUE

When Old Timers' associations step out of their genial, social character to urge the governments to retain the R.C.M.P. as the policing force of the province, it is something to command attention. Rarely, if ever before, have the pioneers, through their organizations, concerned themselves with any political developments within the province. They seem to follow the good old principle that most of the tempests of life are very transient, so why get excited. And in their lives, individually and as a unit, they seek serenity and friendly relationships.

For this reason the resolutions in respect to the R.C.M.P. indicate the seriousness with which they view the advocated change to a provincial police.

In respect to the enforcement of law and order, and the history of policing within the province, it must be conceded that the pioneers should be in position to know: what is best. Their knowledge of R.C.M.P. work is practical, not based on the glamorous illusions which may be built up in some minds. They have seen a young and unrestricted country, brought into order and stability through the impersonal control of the force. They have also seen other systems of policing tried. And out of the fullness of their experience, they ask that the administration of the laws of the province which they founded, remain in control of R.C.M.P. Surely this is one instance in which the voice of experience should be heeded. The old Timers do not represent financial interests or Big Shots. They are plain people, few of whom have much of this world's goods. But all that is best in our modern Alberta life has been built upon their example and their standards.

These advocated changes should be well examined before they are adopted. N. B. James, M.L.A. one of the government firebrands, is talking wildly at the moment on the judiciary. He thinks judges should be elected by popular vote, rather than the present method of appointment. Normally Mr. James' reflections, which seem to have resulted from the decision of the Powell trial (the Unwin decision rested with a jury) would not be taken seriously. But in view of the government attitude toward the R.C.M.P., it is not unreasonable to suppose that the control of the judiciary might be another effort.

The system of appointment in Canada, the freedom of Judges from political interference and their complete independence of the ebb and flow of partyism, have served as a model of superiority over the system prevailing in United States, which is presumably what Mr. James is advocating.

### GASOLINE PRICES

(From Claresholm Review)

Gasoline prices dropped  $\frac{1}{2}$  cts. a gallon in Alberta this week. The explanation given by the distributors was that it was their desire to encourage the consumption of the Turner Valley product. But a mere cent and a half reduction in gasoline prices in Alberta is but a joke. Do the oil distributors think for one minute that some of the general public does not know that gasoline sells just as cheaply in Winnipeg as in Calgary or Claresholm? Get out your maps and figure out the transportation charges that distributors in Winnipeg have to contend with. Then try to reconcile the comparative conditions and prices we motorists in Alberta have to pay for gasoline. Turner Valley oil wells producing more gasoline than all of Western Canada can consume, and Alberta motorists paying if not the highest, next to the highest price per gallon of any provincial group of motorists in Canada. And here Mr. Aberhart is your grand opportunity to demonstrate to the Alberta people whether you really mean your square deal for everyone crusade.

### FROM OTHER PAPERS

#### Advice to Hunters

A deer has "four" legs, a guide has only "two." Count the legs on the deer you are aiming at—if it has "two" legs, then ask it politely if it is a deer. If it says "NO," look sharply and see if the deer is smoking a pipe. If so, then it might NOT be a deer.

Cows, horses and mules also have "four" legs, so before shooting look carefully—if the deer is hitched to a wagon, it might be a horse or a mule. If it has a "bell" on its neck, it could be a cow. If it howls mournfully, that would be a "Big Bad Wolf."

If a hunter finds another hunter has mistaken him for a deer and is shooting at him, he should not waste time saying, "Listen, guy—I ain't no deer." Deer hunters are very skeptical and they would merely think the deer was lying. The best thing to do is stand quiet and make a noise like a canary bird. A deer hunter would be ashamed to kill a canary bird and so he would stop shooting. — Manitoulin Expositor.

#### Church Giving

"If you belong to a church which publishes a list of its subscribers," says the Collingwood editor, "you can prove for yourself that families who seem to have money enough for other things don't seem to feel any responsibility for keeping up the church. You will find that more than one family of your acquaintance probably did not give more than \$2.60 toward the upkeep of the building, the payment of the preacher's salary, the heating, lighting and other expenses, the music and the community activities. A much larger number probably paid less than \$2.50, or ten cents a Sunday for these purposes. They pay a quarter to see a game of almost any kind; and if the whole family attends, the total is several times that much, yet a nickel or a dime is the limit for the family on Sunday. One would think that any man who is a Christian would feel that it is worth at least a quarter a week to have the church kept alive in his community, not only for himself but for his children. Yet if you think that a majority of church members give more than \$13.00 a year for the upkeep of the church, you are probably due for a sad awakening." — Brampton Conservator.

### Price of Gasoline Varies in Provinces

On the prices which prevailed in midsummer of the current year, a buyer of gasoline paid 27.83 cents in taxes every time he made a dollar purchase. Subject to negligible variations in price since that time, this is the ration which still holds.

Put in another way, the total tax content per gallon was 7.8 cents at a time when the average price to the consumer all over Canada was 28.60 cents a gallon.

This figure includes only taxes terminated, those that have to be directly charged by those handling gasoline in one or the other of its various stages on its way to the consumer. In freight bills, in motor trucking, in the dealer's spread, and in perhaps half a dozen other ways, there are other forms of undetermined taxation which ordinary processes of computation cannot easily segregate. Were this possible, the total chargeable against each gallon of gasoline would be greater than 7.8 cents a gallon.

The price of gasoline varies in different provinces. It is these differences in cost to the consumer which result in the lower tax content per gasoline dollar in Alberta and Saskatchewan when compared with Ontario, in spite of the fact that the rate of gasoline tax in Alberta and Saskatchewan is a cent higher.

#### Fate of Agriculture

Nevertheless, the fate of agriculture lies in the leadership of today and the leadership which will be developed among the young men and young women of today, and only wise leadership and union of forces, and every farmer keeping constantly in mind the fact that no one but farmers can do this work of organizing, will lift agriculture to the standard which it should enjoy as its return for the service which it renders to the State-Country Life in B.C.

The Advocate will be pleased to receive items for the local columns regarding visitors, entertainments, parties leaving for holidays or short trips, bridge parties, teas, etc.

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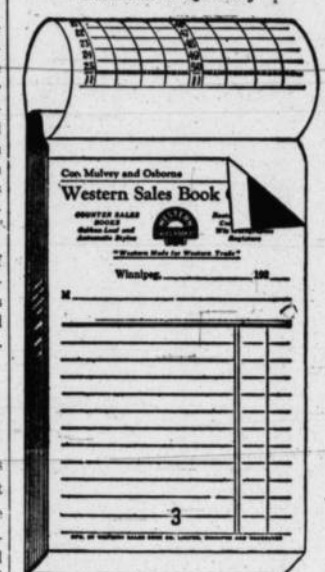
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**Pertinent Topics**

(By H. C.)

(Continued from Front Page)

uberent spirits. The successful politician is not one who drives straight ahead to a distant goal, but rather one who tacks sometimes, and sometimes makes a U turn.

The Duke of Windsor is to make his American trip but it is to be for pleasure and not for sociological study as first announced. That's more like it.

As we remarked last week, there was poor staff work in connection with the announcement that he was going to investigate industrial conditions. His experience while he was King does not seem to have been taken into account. It will be remembered that he visited Glasgow and Wales, expressed horror at the conditions he discovered there, and said something would have to be done. Official friction resulted and we are not prepared to blame the government. It is not the function of a King to make public observations that inferentially reflect upon his Ministers.

The politicians in the United States are trying to figure out what the mayoralty elections mean. In New York, Tammany was beaten to a standstill and it is confidently predicted that the tiger is dead. The tiger, however, has been killed several times but being of the feline family, it has nine lives. Labor tried its hand in Detroit and was beaten. In other places the results were unexpected, but they do not give much promise to either of the major parties. It is too soon anyway to figure on 1940. Many things can happen before then and any way the things the politicians are talking about today will be dead as Caesar then.

British diplomacy in the Spanish affair was not so stupid and muddled as it appeared. Having used all the resources he could get from Italy and Germany, Franco, now that success is assured, gives them to understand that Spain is not going to revolve on the Rome-Berlin axis, that it will have home rule and no interference. He even wishes to have Spain join the League. He is grateful to the powers that assisted him but wants to live in amity with Britain and France. If this is correct, it removes the Spanish ruler and the hopes of Italy and Germany of a Fascist state there. They build hopes too on Brazil, where their agents have been active, but Vargas the new

dictator, denies entanglements with Rome and Berlin. Altogether the prospects look brighter, except in Asia.

Henry Ford said that when power farming comes into general use as a means of raising food, the work of farming could be done in 28 days a year, and the farmer could devote the rest of his time to other business. Power farming has already cut down manual labor on the farm considerably, especially in spring and fall, but farmers still manage to find work on the farm to take up their time. There are countless things to be done that cannot be done by motor power, and the farmer who turns his attention to "other business," even if it could be found, does so to their neglect. Ford had some experience on a farm, but admits he was more interested in the workshop. If he still thinks a farmer has time to spare for other business, he has another think coming.

**Eye Opener News  
And Views, 1906**

For a hurry-up-farce-comedy the Calgary council proceedings could not be improved upon. When there is nothing on at the Lyric, the people of Calgary should go to the council meetings. Admission free. Don't miss the opening chorus.

Poor Chief English! He was about to take a well-earned visit to Toronto to take part in the convention of Chiefs of Police of Canada. And what do you think? Alderman Stuart has taken it into his head to go along with him. What has the Chief ever done to be so afflicted? Messages of sympathy and condolence are pouring in to the Chief's office. We ourselves, sent a spray. Numerous other tokens of woe are arriving hourly.

The office of Governor General of India is all very well in India where millions of blacks have to be bluff into subjection by outward trappings of power and the glitter of authority. The glamor of imposing spectacles and gorgeous functions appeal to the ignorant mind. It is part of the game. In Canada, the manufacturers, the farmers, the miners and the business men of our towns could worry along very nicely without any vice-regal court. There is enough nonsense in Ottawa without the snobbery inseparable from a situation where a healthy democracy rubs shoulders—and we are ashamed to say only too ready to rub shoulders—with an imitation royal court.

Still all this has nothing to do with the shabby treatment Earl Gray received in Calgary after being invited by the unspeakable city council. The excuse that they didn't know any better may be true but it does not help matters. And to think we have to endure this outfit till December!

The charge brought by Felix McHugh against Peter McGonigle, editor of the Midnapore Gazette for having in his unlawful possession a horse bearing the McHugh brand, was tried at the barracks last week and dismissed for lack of sufficient evidence showing criminal intent on the part of McGonigle to misappropriate the animal. Evidence for the defence was adduced to show that said animal was a truck horse and had learned the knack of entering a barn alone and tying itself with a rope to the manger. Mr. McGonigle stated that the barrack behind his printing office was empty save for file of back numbers of the Gazette, when he went to bed, and he denounced his arrest as an outrage. He had no idea how the horse got there. Mr. McGonigle's many friends are justly indignant at the aspersions on his character, and have shown their sympathy by consenting to drink with him whenever he will set them up. He left the court room without a stain on his character. The horse is now back in McHugh's pasture.

Earl Gray visited Nelson and was received with great enthusiasm. Nelson people are so excitable.

In the annex of the Presbyterian church Tuesday evening at 7.30 the well-known Patagonian missionary Rev. John Moseley, will lecture on the Canadian Conservative party as viewed by the cannibals of South America. Collection in aid of suitable manuring tools for the Sarcee Indians.

On Friday the funeral of Albert Groggins, the late lamented proprietor of the Never-Never House, will be held from Graham and Buscombe's popular undertaking parlors. The cortege will start at 2 p.m. and the body will be received at the cemetery by a large gathering of his former customers who have taken up permanent residence there in recent years. Augade's orchestra will accompany the remains and play a few lively requiems to show the high esteem in which the deceased was held.

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WHEN the Western Farmer has a good crop which can be sold at a price that returns him a profit, the benefits are wide and many. The railway and the local storekeeper, the tax collector and the elevator company, the automobile dealer and the radio manufacturer—all these and many more are affected favorably when the farmer has a surplus remaining after his year's effort. Even cotton goods are purchased—as likely as not the product of this company. So the weavers in the town of Magog, P.Q., get more work when wheat crops and their prices are good.

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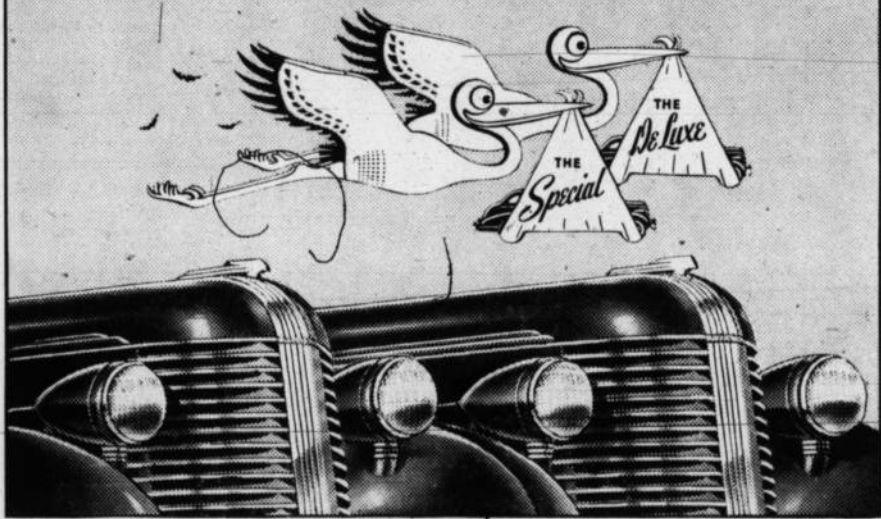
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**The Editor's Mistakes**

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Dated this 2nd day of November A.D. 1937.

(MRS.) ELLEN CHRISTIE, Executrix.  
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### Public Debt . . .

(Continued from Front Page)

month period shows a cash surplus on income and capital of \$374,920.

Income taken in totalled \$12,393,326 and payments on ordinary services totalled \$8,213,973, thus leaving a surplus of income of \$4,179,353. From this is deducted relief payments of \$1,513,370, bringing cash surplus to \$2,664,467.

Capital payments have been \$2,280,546 over receipts.

The report is entirely on cash receipts and cash payments.

Cash on hand was increased to \$640,418 on Sept. 30th.

Receipts are up \$2,244,132 in this period compared with similar period of last year.

Sales tax, discontinued in August had yielded \$177,035. Increased corporation tax had yielded \$246,935; succession duties \$928,743; gasoline tax \$76,874; railway mileage \$58,380.

Motor licenses \$969,336. Alberta liquor brought \$850,000 an increase of \$148,435. Alberta Wheat Pool \$252,191.

No Payments on Sinking Fund  
That due to the reduction in interest rates and no payments being made in current period on sinking fund installments, there was a decrease in payments of \$1,169,998.78. Expenditure on maintenance of roads and highways was reduced to \$114,489.37.

Total cost of unemployment relief in the province during the six months period was \$2,651,110.74 against \$2,217,522.18 for the same period of the year before, or an increase of \$433,588.46. There were Dominion government grants in aid and other reimbursements of \$1,135,739.94, leaving net provincial payments of \$1,515,370.80 as against a net payment of \$1,272,601.32 in the same period of the year before, or an increase of \$242,769.48.

The Sunday afternoon program of C.F.A.C. which is bringing great pleasure to radio listeners includes the "Silver Theatre, 1847 Rogers" at 3 p.m. This is a dramatic hour directed by Conrad Nagel, the plays starring such actors as Jimmy Stewart, Cary Grant, Bette Davis and others. Listen for this hour.

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